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You will recall Soviet charges regarding alleged overflights by US military planes (Sov note July 10, US reply July 19). Sov reply delivered to Dept by Sov Emb today. It states overflights were not chance deviations but intentional incursions for aerial reconnaissance verified by modern technical means as to exact time and course over Soviet territory; US attempt to dodge responsibility regretful since it does not facilitate creation of confidence in relations between "our states"; Sov Govt reiterates that responsibility for consequences lies on US.]

Assume Sovs will give publicity.

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